

Senate Bill No. 365

CHAPTER 627

An act to amend Sections 15820.903 and 15820.913 of the Government Code, and to add Section 1978 to the Welfare and Institutions Code, relating to jails.

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LEGISLATIVE COUNSEL'S DIGEST

SB 365, Wolk. Jail construction: funding.

Existing law authorizes the Department of Corrections and Rehabilitation, participating counties, and the State Public Works Board to acquire, design, and construct local jail facilities approved by the Board of State and Community Corrections (BSCC). Existing law authorizes the State Public Works Board to issue revenue bonds, notes, or bond anticipation notes in the amounts of \$445,771,000 and \$774,229,000, in 2 phases, to finance the acquisition, design, and construction, and a reasonable construction reserve, of approved local jail facilities, as specified. The funds derived from those revenue bonds, notes, or bond anticipation notes are continuously appropriated for the purposes described above.

This bill would decrease the authorization for revenue bonds, notes, or bond anticipation notes in the first phase from \$445,771,000 to \$365,771,000 and increase the authorization of the 2nd phase from \$774,229,000 to \$854,229,000.

Existing law authorizes the Department of Corrections and Rehabilitation, a participating county, and the board to acquire, design, renovate, or construct a local youthful offender rehabilitative facility, approved by the BSCC, or a site or sites owned by, or subject to a lease or option to purchase held by, a participating county. Existing law authorizes the issuance of up to \$300,000,000 in revenue bonds, notes, or bond anticipation notes to finance the acquisition, design, renovation, or construction, and a reasonable construction reserve, of approved local youthful offender rehabilitative facilities.

This bill would, in the event that a county that has been conditionally awarded financing later determines that participating with other counties in a shared regional facility would provide an improved solution to the county's needs and the needs of other counties, authorize the county to apply to the BSCC for redirection of the conditional award to another county that will be the lead county for the regional facility, in conjunction with the original county and, potentially, other counties. The bill would authorize the board to redirect the conditional award, prior to any approval and establishment of the project, if certain determinations are made by the BSCC.

The people of the State of California do enact as follows:

SECTION 1. Section 15820.903 of the Government Code is amended to read:

15820.903. (a) The SPWB may issue up to three hundred sixty-five million seven hundred seventy-one thousand dollars (\$365,771,000) in revenue bonds, notes, or bond anticipation notes, pursuant to Chapter 5 of Part 10b of Division 3 of Title 2 (commencing with Section 15830) to finance the acquisition, design, or construction, and a reasonable construction reserve, of approved local jail facilities described in Section 15820.901, and any additional amount authorized under Section 15849.6 to pay for the cost of financing.

(b) Proceeds from the revenue bonds, notes, or bond anticipation notes may be utilized to reimburse a participating county for the costs of acquisition, preliminary plans, working drawings, and construction for approved projects.

(c) Notwithstanding Section 13340, funds derived pursuant to this section and Section 15820.902 are continuously appropriated for purposes of this chapter.

(d) This section shall become inoperative on June 30, 2017, and no project may be commenced after that date; however, projects that have already commenced by that date may be completed and financed with bonds issued pursuant to this chapter.

SEC. 2. Section 15820.913 of the Government Code is amended to read:

15820.913. (a) The SPWB may issue up to eight hundred fifty-four million two hundred twenty-nine thousand dollars (\$854,229,000) in revenue bonds, notes, or bond anticipation notes, pursuant to Chapter 5 of Part 10b of Division 3 of Title 2 (commencing with Section 15830) to finance the acquisition, design, or construction, and a reasonable construction reserve, of approved local jail facilities described in Section 15820.911, and any additional amount authorized under Section 15849.6 to pay for the cost of financing.

(b) Proceeds from the revenue bonds, notes, or bond anticipation notes may be used to reimburse a participating county for the costs of acquisition, preliminary plans, working drawings, and construction for approved projects.

(c) Notwithstanding Section 13340, funds derived pursuant to this section and Section 15820.912 are continuously appropriated for purposes of this chapter.

SEC. 3. Section 1978 is added to the Welfare and Institutions Code, immediately following Section 1977, to read:

1978. In the event that a county that has been conditionally awarded financing, pursuant to this article, later determines that participating with other counties in a shared regional facility would provide an improved solution to the county's needs and the needs of other counties, the original county may apply to the Board of State and Community Corrections (BSCC) for redirection of the conditional award to another county that will be the lead county for the regional facility, in conjunction with the original county

and, potentially, other counties. If the BSCC determines, based on findings submitted by the regional consortium of counties, that the redirection will result in cost savings, regional efficiencies, increased services, and improved outcomes, and that the design of the joint facility will enhance program delivery, health and mental health services, and the safety and security of minors, the BSCC may authorize the redirection of the conditional award. Redirection may only be considered prior to any approval or establishment of the project by the board.

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